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The Supervisor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:39 p.m.

Town Board Members Present

Mark Stewart

Kyle Noonan

Alan VanTassel
John Donohue, Jr.

Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr.

Councilmember
Councilmember
Councilmember
Supervisor

Also present: Brenda Hutter, Town Clerk; Chris Abrams, Highway Superintendent; Town Residents: Steven Hutter, Brandon Hayes, Pete Corlew, Tyler Corlew, Bruce Lant, Anissa Jacox, Ben Vaillancourt, Ronald Quinn, Jr., Steven M. VanGuilder; Reporter Alex Portal, Post Star

The Town Clerk read the following notice of the public hearing, which was published as a legal ad in the Post Star Newspaper on January 13, 2023.

TOWN OF MOREAU

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 184 of the Town Law and Section 122-b of the General Municipal Law, that the Town Board of the Town of Moreau shall conduct a Public Hearing at the Moreau Town Hall, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York on January 31, 2023, at 6:40 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on a proposed contract between the Town of Moreau and the South Glens Falls Fire Company, Inc. Under the agreement, the South Glens Falls Fire Company Inc. will furnish fire protection services within the Town during calendar year 2023. The funds to be paid by the Town of Moreau to the South Glens Falls Fire Company, Inc. for these services are FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED TWELVE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$568,712.00). A copy of the proposed contract is available at the office of the Moreau Town Clerk located at the Moreau Town Hall.

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The Supervisor gave a brief overview of proposed contract.

The Supervisor then opened the meeting for public comment and stated that anyone wishing to speak would be allowed up to 5 minutes.

Town Resident Bruce Lant stood up and introduced himself. He stated that he felt as though the funding for the Fire Department is insufficient. He then supplied each Board member with an analysis that he had drawn up based on Assessments and Tax Rates of all Towns within the County. He acknowledged that he only came into the picture less than a month ago; however, requested justification from the Town Board of his analysis.

The Supervisor informed Mr. Lant that Public Hearings are not workshops, that they are for public comment only.

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, and carried, to close the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Respectively submitted,

Brenda Hutter Town Clerk